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LETTER DATED 17 AUGUST 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I should like to inform you that United States aircraft continued their violations of Iraqi airspace for purposes of observation and provocation during the period 9 to 13 August 1992.

9-10 August 1992

Thirty sorties, flown by 15 two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,500 to 9,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Mosul, Irbil and Tall Afar.

10-11 August 1992

Eighteen sorties, flown by nine two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 780 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,000 to 5,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Dohuk, Mosul, Irbil, Tall Afar and Amadiyah.

11-12 August 1992

Thirty-two sorties, flown by 13 two-aircraft formations and 2 three-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 800 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,000 to 10,000 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Amadiyah, Zakho and the area to the north of Mosul.

12-13 August 1992

Thirty-six sorties, flown by 15 two-aircraft formations and 2 three-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 850 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 2,000 to 6,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Mosul, Tall Afar and Irbil.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abd al-Amir AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
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